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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, MASS, PFOR, LA

SUBJECT: VISIT TO WASHINGTON BY DEFENSE DELEGATE SISOUK

REF: VIENTIANE 6364

1. WE AGREE WITH EMBASSY THAT VISIT TO WASHINGTON BY SISOUK WOULD BE MOST TIMELY AND USEFUL. WE ARE PREPARED TO DEVELOP A SCHEDULE FOR SUCH A VISIT AND WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY'S VIEWS ON SPECIFIC SUBJECTS IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO COVER AND SPECIFIC PERSONS IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR SISOUK TO SEE.

2. WE UNDERSTAND THAT LAOS IS SCHEDULED TO PRESENT ITS DEBATE SPEECH ON OCTOBER 4. IF THAT IS CORRECT WE ESTIMATE THAT SISOUK WOULD LIKELY PLAN BE IN WASHINGTON FOR DISCUSSIONS BEGINNING ABOUT MONDAY, OCTOBER 8. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY CONFIRMING THIS AFTER SISOUK IS INFORMED OF OUR FAVORABLE REACTION TO SEEING HIM HERE.

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3. PER DEAN-STEARN'S TELECON, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL

FOR DCM DEAN TO BE IN WASHINGTON AT TIME OF SISOUK VISIT TO
DISCUSS IMPLICATIONS OF PROTOCOL FOR ON-GOING US PROGRAMS IN
LAOS, AS WELL AS OTHER SUBJECTS OF CURRENT INTEREST. TELE-
GRAPHIC ORDERS WILL BE FORWARDED. RUSH

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